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HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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FAMILY WELFARE AND VACCINATION
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether family welfare and vaccination programmes are being implemented smoothly in Bihar, Uttar Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefore;

(d) the names of States where these programmes are not being implemented smoothly; and

(e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SH SHANMUGAM)

(a) to (d) The impact indicators of Crude Birth Rate, (CBR), Infant Mortality Rate (IMR), and Total Fertility Rate (TFR) as compared t all India position, indicates that there is scope for improvement in the implementation of Family Welfare and Vaccination Programme in these states.

	+CBR	+IMR	TFR (1997)
Bihar	31.1	67	4.4
Uttar Pradesh	32.4	85	4.8
Madhya Pradesh	30.6	97	4.0
India	26.4	72	3.3

+ figures as per SRS data 1998 (provisional)

The success of family welfare program depends on the status and education level of women, socio-cultural factors and infrastructure facility, which are in low key in these States.

Other States where also the performance in family welfare program is weak are Rajasthan, Orissa, Assam and Haryana.

(e) In order to review the implementation of Family Welfare and Vaccination Program in these weakly performing states, Committee of Secretaries, chaired by Cabinet Secretary meets on quarterly basis.

Further, a task force has been appointed in the Department of Family Welfare to implement the program in a focused manner in consultation with concerned State Governments.

Position regarding implementation of vaccination program is more grim in the state of Bihar due to some administrative and infrastructural deficiencies. A Task Force under the chairmanship of Chief Secretary of Bihar has been formed to review and make improvement in this matter.